



FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE

STATE LODGE OF MICHIGAN



February 11, 2008

Michigan House of Representatives
Commerce Committee:

Dear Members:

I am writing on behalf of the more than 11,000 members of the Michigan Fraternal Order of Police to convey our support of HB 5476, Income Tax Check-Off: Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Monument Fund.

The Michigan Fraternal Order of Police has long supported the creation of a State Memorial to honor the more than 534 men and women who gave their lives protecting the citizens of Michigan. In 2004, P.A. 177 created the Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund Committee. The members of this Committee have been working diligently to create Michigan's Law Enforcement Officers Memorial.

The Committee has secured property on the Capitol Grounds for the Memorial. They have selected a design for the Memorial. Now comes the hardest part, raising the funds needed to build the Memorial.

By your support of this legislation, for an income tax check-off that will go to the Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, you will be assisting in creating a memorial to honor the sacrifice of these brave officers that gave their lives in the line of duty.

Your support of this legislation will greatly assist us in our ultimate goal, that these officers and their sacrifice will never be forgotten.

Please support HB 5476.

Sincerely,

John Buczek
Executive Director
Michigan Fraternal Order of Police